

Docket No.: 42390P8196

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re the Application of:

JERRIE L. COFFMAN, ET AL.

Application No.: 09/539,624

Filed: March 31, 2000

For: Synchronization Mechanism And Method For

Synchronizing Multiple Threads With A Single

Thread

Art Group: 2127

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F. R. § 1.136(a), Applicants for the above-identified application respectfully Petition the Commissioner for a three (3) month extension of time, extending the period for response to May 10, 2004, from the Office Action dated February 10, 2004. The petition filing fee of \$950.00 and Response under 37 C.F.R. 1.111 are attached.

If it should be determined that a longer extension of time is required to prevent this application from being abandoned, please charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 02-2666. A copy of the Fee Transmittal is enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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